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☐ and claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_; filed \_\_\_\_\_.

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Entitled: **METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR  
OPERATING A COMMUNICATION NETWORK THROUGH USE OF  
BLOCKING MEASURES FOR RESPONDING TO COMMUNICATION TRAFFIC  
ANOMALIES**

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Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Application Transmittal Letter and Fee Transmittal Form (*A duplicate is enclosed for fee processing*)
2. ☒ 22 pages of Specification (including 30 claims)
3. ☒ 5 sheets of Formal Drawings (35 USC 113)
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration
  - a. ☒ newly executed (*original or copy*)
  - b. ☐ copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) (*for continuation/divisional*) [Note Box 6 Below]
  - c. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(S) (*Signed statement deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application*)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76
6. ☐ Incorporation By Reference (*useable if box 4b is checked*)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

7. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (*Appendix*)
8. ☒ Assignment papers (*cover sheet(s) and document(s)*)
9. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR § 1.27.
10. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449, and 34 references cited
11. ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*Please enter all claim amendments prior to calculating the filing fee.*)
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13. ☐ Certified Copy of                      Application No.                      ; Filed
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  - b. ☐ paper copy
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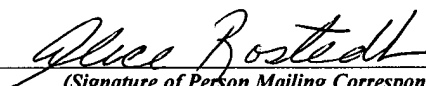
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